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From: Elizabeth Miller

Sent: Mon 8/24/2015 6:48:17 PM

Subject: Re: Inquiry

Hi David, hi Nancy,

Sure — I'm specifically looking for information on the following.

Prior to the Clean Water Rule this summer, would Cement Creek have been protected under the Clean Water Act? Is it included now?

Are abandoned mines like Gold King still viewed as non-point source pollutants? And therefore are they not as tightly enforced as point source pollutants regulated by the CWA?

This one might be out of your wheelhouse, but just for good measure: When it comes to setting MCLs/MCLGs, what kind of person do those standards have in mind? I've heard mention of the "reference man" model and was curious to know more about that.

Thanks, Elizabeth

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On Mon, Aug 24, 2015 at 12:40 PM, Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Elizabeth,

I hope you are doing well. Nancy and I am writing from the Gold King Mine Incident - Joint Information Center here in Durango, Colorado. I understand that you have some questions regarding the CWA and how it applies. I probably additional information to get idea of what you are looking for to be very helpful.

Regarding statements from NMED – I refer you to Allison Majure with the state. She can be reached at

Allison.majure@state.nm.us.

Nancy and David